(*b*) if so, whether they would be pleased to intimate as to when the midwife was since sent ;

(*c*) whether it is a fact that in the meanwhile one Mr. Narayana Setty's wife who had delivery died for want of proper services of a trained midwife, and as a result of a private Midwife's handling which proved septic ;

(*d*) whether they are aware that besides these, there were several other difficult labour cases and that there was no proper medical aid ;

(*e*) if so, whether they would be pleased to state who are responsible for these omissions and what action has been taken against them ?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, LOCAL SELF-GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT.—

A.—47. (*a*) and (*b*) Yes, the midwife was placed under suspension on 10th March 1938 and the new midwife posted to the place joined duty on 7th April 1938.

(*c*) Mr. Narayana Setty's wife was being attended to by a private midwife as usual. It is ascertained that the patient got on well for 11 days and that on the 11th day, after a bath, she got fever and that she died the same evening. The Sub-Assistant Surgeon was sent for at the last stage, but he could not do anything at that time.

(*d*) No.

(*e*) In view of the reply to (*d*) above, this question does not arise.

SRIMATHI KALYANAMMA, DHARMAPARAYANI SRIMATHI ALAMMA, SRIMATHI SAKAMMA and SRIMATHI K. D. RUKMINIAMMA (Women's Interests).—

Q.—48. Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the number of Mysore women who have passed in the various degree examinations in the State since 1918 ;

(*b*) how many of these graduates have got Government appointments (information may kindly be furnished according to community and rank) ;

(*c*) how many of these lady graduates in Government service have got foreign qualifications and what is their present pay and rank in service ;

(*d*) whether any arrangement is made by Government to depute every now and then Mysore lady graduates to the western countries for advanced and specialized studies ;

(*e*) is it a fact that a brilliant Mysore lady graduate with foreign qualifications of a high order could not obtain appointment in the State befitting her high qualifications very recently ; if it is so, why is it that her services were not availed of ?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, GENERAL DEPARTMENT.—

A.—48. (*a*)—

B.A.	...	84
B.A. (Hons.)	...	8
B.Sc.	...	38
B.Sc. (Hons.)	...	7
M.A.	...	17
M.Sc.	...	7
B.T.	...	32
M.B.B.S.	...	5

(*b*) *Vide* statement enclosed. (Appendix.)

(*c*) Two—

1. Superintendent, Maharani's Women's Training College, Mysore, on Rs. 200 (personal) against the grade Rs. 125-10-175.
2. Assistant Mistress, Vani Vilas Institute, Bangalore, on Rs. 175 *plus* Rs. 50 personal allowance in grade Rs. 125-10-175.

(*d*) No special arrangement.

(*e*) The question is not specific as to who this lady is.

SRIMATHI K. D. RUKMINIAMMA, DHARMAPARAYANI SRIMATHI ALAMMA, SRIMATHI KALYANAMMA and SRIMATHI SAKAMMA (Women's Interests).—

Q.—49. Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) if, as things stand at present, women are on the same footing as men in the matter of franchise and eligibility for election to public bodies ;

(*b*) if the answer to (*a*) is in the negative, whether Government would kindly take early steps to do away with all those inequalities as between men and women in the opportunities and rights for public service ?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, GENERAL DEPARTMENT —

A.—49. (*a*) Yes, so far as Representative Assembly and Legislative Council, District Boards and Municipalities are concerned. In the case of Village Panchayats, however, women can vote, but cannot stand for election. They may however be nominated as members of Village Panchayats.

(*b*) Instructions have been issued to the Deputy Commissioners of Districts that where suitable lady candidates are available, there is no objection for nominating them as members of Village Panchayats.

MR. KRISHNA RAO GANESH RAO GURUJAR (Special Interests).—

Q.—50. Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) (i) whether it has come to their notice that some dealers are mixing coffee husk with coffee powder ; (ii) whether they are aware that the coffee husk is harmful to health ;

(*b*) whether they are aware that the innocent purchasers are being deceived by this adulterated powder ;

(*c*) if so, whether it is possible to prohibit such adulteration ?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, LOCAL SELF-GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT.—

A.—50. (*a*) (i) No.
(ii) No.

(*b*) and (*c*) This does not arise in view of reply to (*a*) above.

MR. A. DASAPPA (Minorities).—

Q.—51. Will the Government be pleased to state the number of persons belonging to the Jyotinagara Vaisya (Ganiga) community that are employed in posts carrying Rs. 40 and above in Government service (details regarding the offices in which they are employed and the pay received by them may kindly be furnished) ?